

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## MALACOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.

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ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 1903.

E. A. SMITH, I.S.O., President, in the Chair.

The following communications were read:—

1. "Descriptions of new species of Land-Shells from Central and South America." By S. I. Da Costa.
2. "Descriptions of *Dolium magnificentum*, n.sp., and *Murex multi-spinosus*, n.sp." By G. B. Sowerby, F.L.S.
3. "Some remarks on the genera *Damayantia*, Issel, *Collingea*, Simr., and *Isselesia*, Cllge." By Walter E. Collinge, M.Sc.
4. "Descriptions of two new species of *Melania* from the New Hebrides." By E. R. Sykes, B.A.
5. "Note on the Dispersal of Mollusca." By E. Caziot.

The following specimens were exhibited:—

Mr. E. A. Smith: Some marine shells from Port Alfred, Cape Colony, including species new to the fauna, others of considerable rarity or in better condition than specimens hitherto obtained. Several specimens belonged to species described by Mr. Sowerby during recent years. Also a specimen of *Murex saxatilis* with the anterior rostrum of the shell passed through a hole in a valve of *Arca similis*, the two being connected or cemented together by the valve of an oyster.

Mr. G. B. Sowerby: Two remarkable specimens of *Cypræa* from the collection of Dr. Cox. One of these was a white variety of *Cypræa umbilicata*, which, if not unique, is at least extremely rare. The other was a monstrosity, in which the apex formed a prominent spiral.

Mr. H. B. Preston: Living specimens of *Acarus* from Ceylon. The colour of the animal was reddish brown, and was uninfluenced by variation of the shell coloration. Also a series of *Pecten latus*, Gld., from Japan, showing colour variation.

Mr. F. G. Bridgman: Species of *Oliva*, including *O. angulata*, Lam., *O. Masaris*, Ducl., and *O. rufula*, Ducl.

Mr. E. R. Sykes: A remarkably large example of *Voluta Ponsonbyi*. As in previously recorded cases, this specimen was obtained from the stomach of a fish. It measured 88 mm. in length.

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ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11TH, 1903.

E. A. SMITH, I.S.O., President, in the Chair.

Cuthbert Freyberg and Capt. A. J. Peile were elected to membership of the Society.

The following communications were read:—

1. "On *Pleuromutilus pulcher*, sp. nov." By G. C. Crick, F.G.S.
2. "Description of a new species of *Cassia*." By E. A. Smith, I.S.O.
3. "On the Mollusca procured during the 'Porcupine' Expeditions, 1869-1870." Supplemental Notes, part i. By E. R. Sykes, B.A.
4. "Notes on the Nervous System of the Pelecypoda." By R. H. Burne, B.A.

The following specimens were exhibited:—

Mr. E. A. Smith: Epiphragms of *Thaumastus Sangoæ*, Trosch., and of *Thaumastus biteniatus*, Nyst.

Mr. F. G. Bridgman: Some rare species of *Oliva*.

Mr. H. Fulton: The type-specimen of *Cypræa Thatcheri*, from the collection of Dr. Cox.

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ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8TH, 1904.

E. R. SYKES, B.A., Vice-President, in the Chair.

The following communications were read:—

1. "On the genus *Eurystoma* of Albers, type *vittata*." By Lieut.-Col. H. H. Godwin-Austen, F.R.S.
2. "On new Gastropoda from the Gulf of Oman, etc." By J. Cosmo Melvill, M.A.
3. "Description of *Berthais*, a proposed gen. nov. allied to *Aclis*." By J. Cosmo Melvill, M.A.
4. "On a curious centrally banded form of *Oliva gibbosa*, Born." By J. Cosmo Melvill, M.A.
5. "On the specific identity of *Vivipara diluviana*, Kunth, and *Vivipara Clactonensis*, S. V. Wood." By A. S. Kennard and B. B. Woodward, F.G.S.
6. "Descriptions of new species of *Ena*, *Pseudoglessula*, and *Subulina* from British and German East Africa." By E. A. Smith, I.S.O.